

The Presbytery of Scioto Valley of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Covenant for a Temporary Pastoral Relationship as
Parish Associate

The Session of the _____ Presbyterian Church of _____
Ohio, organized by the authority of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley (G-1.02), functioning under the Church's
constitution (G-1.02) and governed by ordained presbyters who come together in Councils in regular gradation
(F-3.0203) called Session, Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly (G-3.0101),
at a properly-called meeting held on the _____ day of _____ 20_____.
approved the request of the congregation's installed or transitional pastor, _____
to enter into a covenant with teaching elder _____

to serve as parish associate to the pastor and for the church, effective _____

The following are the pastoral services to which this covenant applies:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

The parish associate serves at the pleasure of the installed or transitional pastor but only for such time as the current installed or transitional pastor is and continues to be in relationship with the congregation. The parish associate relationship may be renewed with a subsequently installed or transitional pastor with the approval of session and the concurrence of the Commission for Church Professionals. The parish associate relationship may be terminated at such time as may be mutually agreeable.

This covenant will be reviewed annually by session and may be renewed and/or amended by mutual agreement of the parish associate, the installed or transitional pastor, and the session and the concurrence of the Commission for Church Professionals.

The parish associate pastoral relationship is not subject to compensation. Session may provide for an honorarium or for reimbursable professional expenses as follows:

This covenant is expressly made subject to the Sexual Misconduct Policy of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley and the provisions therein concerning leave of absence upon receipt of an allegation of sexual misconduct. All parties to this contract agree to be bound by such policy.

Certification of Covenant

By the Installed or Transitional Pastor

I have asked teaching elder _____ to serve as Parish Associate for the _____ Church of _____ Ohio.

Date _____ Signature _____
Teaching Elder

By the Session

This covenant has been approved by the Session of the _____ Church of _____ Ohio.

Date of Action _____ Signature _____
Clerk of Session

By the Commission for Church Professionals

This covenant has been approved by the Commission for Church Professionals of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley.

Date of Action _____ Signature _____
Commission Moderator

By the Teaching Elder

I hereby accept this covenant to serve as Parish Associate and the terms and conditions contained herein.

Date of Acceptance _____ Signature _____
Teaching Elder

[NOTE: Three copies of the covenant are to be prepared and signed by the clerk of session and teaching elder. Deliver the copies to the presbytery stated clerk for presbytery approval. When all signatures are completed, copies will be distributed to the teaching elder, the clerk of session, and the Presbytery of Scioto Valley.]